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## **SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION 1027**

A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

ON THE DEATH OF MARINE LANCE CORPORAL MICHAEL J. WILLIAMS.

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1 Marine Lance Corporal Michael J. Williams of Phoenix, Arizona was  
2 killed in the line of duty while serving in Operation Iraqi Freedom.

3 A native of Arizona, Michael Williams operated a successful flooring  
4 business in Phoenix until he left his business to join the Marine Corps  
5 following the September 11<sup>th</sup> terrorist attacks. At thirty-one years of age,  
6 Lance Corporal Williams was a decade older than most of his peers who  
7 affectionately called him "Pops" or "Omar," short for "Old Man River." He  
8 served as a forward observer who carried a 60 mm mortar on his back for the  
9 1<sup>st</sup> Battalion, 2<sup>nd</sup> Marine Regiment, 2<sup>nd</sup> Marine Expeditionary Brigade in Camp  
10 Lejeune, North Carolina. Engaged since January to his long-time friend  
11 Heather Strange, Lance Corporal Williams was tragically killed in action in  
12 an ambush on the outskirts of Al Nasiriyah on March 23, 2003.

13 It is important and fitting that we commemorate the contributions of  
14 our citizens who bravely serve this nation and the profound sacrifice of  
15 those who offer their lives in our service. The courageous life and ultimate  
16 sacrifice of Lance Corporal Williams take a rightful place among the other  
17 true heroes of our great nation.

18 Therefore

19 Be it resolved by the Senate of the State of Arizona, the House of  
20 Representatives concurring:

21 That the Members of the Forty-sixth Legislature express regret at the  
22 untimely passing of Marine Lance Corporal Michael J. Williams and express  
23 their sincere sorrow to his fiancée and his surviving family members.

PASSED BY THE HOUSE MAY 15, 2003.

PASSED BY THE SENATE MAY 15, 2003.

FILED IN THE OFFICE OF THE SECRETARY OF STATE MAY 15, 2003.

READ IN FULL AND  
UNANIMOUSLY ADOPTED

Passed the House May 15, 20 03

Jake Flake  
Speaker of the House

Norman L. Moore  
Chief Clerk of the House

READ IN FULL AND  
UNANIMOUSLY ADOPTED

Passed the Senate May 15, 20 03

Ken Bennett  
President of the Senate

Norma Chastain  
Asst. Secretary of the Senate

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EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT OF ARIZONA  
OFFICE OF SECRETARY OF STATE

This Bill was received by the Secretary of State  
this 15 day of May, 2003,

at 4:56 o'clock P. M.

Janice K. Brewer  
Secretary of State